REMARKS

The Examiner's objections to the drawings appear to apply mostly to Fig. 2, which however has been canceled with Applicant's preliminary amendment dated 11/4/2005.

Concerning the feature in claim 3, "a support ring", it is noted that it was intended to be removed in the last amendment but, erroneously, only the reference numeral "16" had been deleted. This has been corrected herein.

The objections to the drawings therefore have been overcome.

Claim 1 has been amended to define (as correctly defined in the original claim), that the outwardly extending elbow lever structures is part of the clamping closure mechanisms.

It appears that all of the Examiner's objections have now been attended to so that the Examiner's rejections under 35 USC 112 have been overcome and claims 1 - 3 are in condition for allowance.

Allowances of claims 1 - 3 is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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